

GREGORY MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Christians Who Love and Care.

***"I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my
supplications. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore,
I will call on him as long as I live."*** ***Psalm 116:1-2***

April 06, 2014

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 06, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

5th Sunday in Lent

Liturgical Color: **Purple**

PCUSA Emphasis: Justice Advocacy

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Let us prepare our hearts in silence to meet God’s Spirit in worship!

GOD GATHERS THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE

Sandra Perkins & Gail Rollings

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dianne Overstreet

PASSING OF PEACE/SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Jason Cashing

Call to Worship

One: O mortal, can these bones live?

All: Only the Lord God knows.

One: O people, hope in the Lord!

All: With the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redeem.

*Opening Hymn

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

#257

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live, who could stand? We seem to have more faith in death than hope in your promise of life. We seek peace through war and find security in weapons. We abandon the hungry, sick, and dying, and pursue wealth in ways that make others poor. And even so, you love us, and call us to new ways of life; still there is forgiveness with you! Therefore, we worship you; for you alone, O Lord, can save us from death and redeem us from our sin. *Amen.*

Please read aloud areas indicated as “in unison” or appearing in **bold type**.

* Congregation, please stand, if able.

A Moment of Silent Confession

Promise of God’s Forgiveness

One: Hear the good news of the gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, healed, and made whole.

One: Know the we have been forgiven, and be at peace!

All: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. Amen!

*Congregational Response (Hymn #734, Gloria Patri)

The Giving of Our Tithes, Gifts and Selves to God - Offertory

*Congregational Response (#34 Doxology)

*Prayer of Dedication

WE ENCOUNTER GOD’S WORD

Time for Children - Junior Sermon

Patsy Johnson

(Children ages 3 – 1st grade are invited to leave for Junior Church; older children may pick up a “Worship Board” in the right front pew for use during the service.)

Choral Anthem “There is a Green Hill Far Away”

Bible Readings: Old Testament: Ezekiel 37:1-14
New Testament: John 11:1-45

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Sermon “The Living Dead”

Rev. Jason Cashing

*Reflective Hymn “In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

#264

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***We Affirm Our Faith (in unison)**

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, 'the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

[from the Iona Abbey]

Prayers of the People (in unison)

(The minister will lead the people in prayer, with each petition followed by the congregational response, until we pray together the Lord's Prayer, "Our Father ...")

One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayers.

[PLEASE REFER TO COMMUNION INSERT]

*Departing Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

#284

Blessing

One: We have been blessed!

All: We have met for divine worship, as God's people.

One: We have been blessed!

All: Our sins have truly been forgiven.

One: We have been blessed!

All: We go out into the world as the body of Christ, bearing the good news of the gospel. We are blessed, indeed. Amen!

*Pastoral Benediction

*Choral Benediction



WELCOME TO GREGORY MEMORIAL!

We hope and pray that as you worship with us today you may experience the love of God and be encouraged for the coming week. Visitors, make sure to let us know of your presence by completing one of the registration cards in the pews and placing it in the offering plate. We invite both visitors and “regulars” to use the cards to let us know of your prayer requests or special needs. **VISITOR INFORMATION** --- We have special informational packets for our visitors, both adults and children. Please ask an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL --- We offer engaging classes each Sunday for all ages beginning at 9:45 a.m. Children, youth and one adult class meet on the second floor of the Educational Building, and another adult class meets downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for coffee in the kitchen before and after class! **NURSERY & JUNIOR CHURCH** --- During the worship service, we provide loving child care for infants and toddlers. Children ages pre-K through 1st grade are invited to join their parents in the service through the Time with Children after which they can follow their leaders to a worship-based activity appropriate for their age. For children who remain in the worship service, there are “worship boards” in a box in the front right pew for their learning and enjoyment during the service.

TODAY’S FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in celebration of Rev. Cashing's 1st anniversary here at Gregory. We have truly been blessed by your ministry!

“**THESE DAYS**” (APR.-JUN. ISSUE) - Copies are available (free of charge) in the Narthex.

LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE: Service begins @ 12:00 p.m.; lunch follows service.
April 10 - Trinity UMC, 10021 County Dr., Disputanta, VA.

REMINDER: TODAY’S THE LAST DAY TO ORDER EASTER LILIES - Forms are in Narthex to order lilies (\$11 each) or to give a donation instead in honor/remembrance of your special person(s) (Contact: Rose Scott)

GMPC SPRING WORK DAY - Sat., April 12; breakfast starts at 8:00 a.m.

CASA SUPERHERO 5K RACE (St. Joseph’s Villa)! What are you doing on the morning of April 26? Do you dream of being outside and enjoying spring weather? Want to do something to promote a good cause in our region? It’s not too late to sign up to join Jason and others in participating in the CASA Superhero 5K! Walk or run, it will be a good time of fellowship and exercise! See Jason for more details on how to register to participate or support!

OUTREACH COMMITTEE PLANS GROUP TRIP TO FLYING SQUIRRELS GAME! The Committee is planning a trip to a Richmond Flying Squirrels game, and we want you to join us! We’ll carpool up to The Diamond, sit as a group for an evening of fun! And if we get 25, we can reserve a special seating area!! Cost is estimated at \$10-\$15, depending on where we sit. [Contact for details: Josh Ingram or Jason Cashing]

2014 STEWARDSHIP TO DATE

<u>The Facts:</u>		<u>The Figures:</u>	
Annual budget expense	\$139,456	Offering 03/30	\$3,147.00
Pledged & projected income	\$128,665	Offering 04/06	
Monthly budget needs	\$ 11,621	Offering 04/13	
Weekly budget needs	\$ 2,682	Offering 04/20	
		Offering 04/27	

ATTENDANCE: March 30, 2014

Worship: 62	Sunday School: 17
	Spiritual Enrichment 7
	Fellowship 10
	Jr. - Sr. High 0
	Children 0

THESE TWO WEEKS AT GREGORY: April 06 - 19, 2014

April 06 - 12

April 13 - 19

Today	9:45 am Sunday School 06 11:00 am Worship <i>Holy Communion</i>	<i>PALM SUNDAY</i> 9:45 am Sunday School 13 11:00 am Worship
Monday	9:00 am Committee reports due 07 9:30 am Line Dance 6:30 pm Missions	9:30 am Line Dance 14
Tuesday	6:30 pm Outreach 08 6:30 pm Stewardship & Finance	7:00 pm Session meeting 15
Wednesday	7:00 pm Choir 09	2-8:00 pm Cleaning 16
Thursday	12:00 pm Lenten Service 10 @ Trinity UMC; simple lunch follows 2:00 pm Session Agenda Out 2-8:00 pm Cleaning	<i>MAUNDY THURSDAY</i> 17 9:00 pm News articles due 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service & Holy Communion (intinction)
Friday	11	<i>GOOD FRIDAY</i> 18
Saturday	8:00 am GMPC Work Day 12 & Breakfast	8:00-12:00 pm PG Fire Dept. Bike 19 Rodeo @ GMPC parking lot



GATEKEEPER: Josh Ingram

Sunday Servants	April 06, 2014	April 13, 2014 - "Palm Sunday"
USHERS & ACOLYTES (A)	Sheila Fields Janet Swinton Marguerite Bishop Valerie Harsh Breeana Hunter (A) Jamie Meurer (A)	Robert Hartsell Dianne Overstreet Wayne Powers Les Mayhew Chayse Hartsell (A) Justin Ellis-Bowman (A)
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Dianne Overstreet	Jerry Bond
JUNIOR SERMON	Patsy Johnson	Minister
JUNIOR CHURCH	Valerie Harsh Justin Ellis-Bowman	Morgan Ingram Josh Ingram
NURSERY	Ruby Spain	Rose Scott
COUNTING	Ron Recher Glenda Mayhew	Donald Hunter Pat Hunter

OUR PRAYER IN TIMES OF JOY AND CONCERN.....

<p>Mark Chariton (home) Drew Moncol, recovering (surgery) Frank Solesbee, recovering, home Lee Hettrick (father of Natalie Griggs, Susan Walker's co-worker), health issues Nancy Hettrick, health issues Johnnie Smith, health issues, Col. Hgts. Convalescent Ctr. Audrey Turner, health issues Ed Smiley (Doug Holc's friend), recovering from surgery Glenn Anderson: health issues, kidney "Traveling Mercies"</p> <p>And: Henry Parker Aida Faries Marian McDonald Don Vtipil June Hawks</p>	<p>All affected by acts of violence & natural disasters Robert Hartsell's brothers: James (status unchanged) & Lawrence Hartsell (status critical) Pam Harsh, Bradley Cooper, Jacob Spain, in college Amy Townson (Josh Ingram's sister), recovering, home Nita Spain (Keith Spain's stepmother) health issues Victor Tomko (Doug Holc's cousin), in-home rehab Helen Cibula, improving, Hopewell Convalescent Ctr Maryland Blanchard (Grace & Helen Cibula's friend) Mary Chadwick (Dink Armstrong's sister) Vonnie Edwards (David Johnson's aunt) health issues Marcella Chevalier, Sara-Lynn's step-grandmother Ryan McGill, brother of Dianne Overstreet's co-worker Bowman family Family & friends of Richard Harlow (Robbie Foster's brother) d. 03/23 Family & friends of Russell Houston (Sheila Fields's brother) d. 03/24 Family & friends of Frankie Meade (Glenda Mayhew's mother) d. 3/25</p>
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[COMMUNION INSERT]

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us pray:

All: Loving God, through your goodness, we have this bread and cup to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. May we know your presence in the sharing of this bread, so that we know your touch in all bread, all matter. We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared among his community through the centuries, and shares with us now. Made one in Christ and one with each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice. Amen.

One: Among friends, gathered round a table, Jesus took bread...*[Minister continues...]*
The gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE [From pews]

One: Let us give thanks together:

All: We offer you praise, dear God, and hearts lifted high, for in the communion of your love Christ comes close to us, and we come close to Christ. Therefore, with the whole realm of nature around us, with earth, sea and sky, we sing to you. And with our loved ones, on earth and in your heavenly host, with brothers and sisters around the world, we join in the song of your unending greatness. Amen.

[Adapted from the Iona Abbey Community, Scotland]

GMPC SESSION

Class of 2014

Gail Rollings
Mary Holc
Valerie Harsh.

Class of 2015

Rose Scott
Glenda Mayhew
Mary Kay Schroeter

Class of 2016

Pat Hunter
Josh Ingram
Keith Spain

Clerk of Session

Donald Hunter

GMPC TRUSTEES

Class of 2014

Ron Recher

Class of 2015

Donald Hunter

Class of 2016

Morgan Ingram

PRIMARY CHURCH CONTACTS

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